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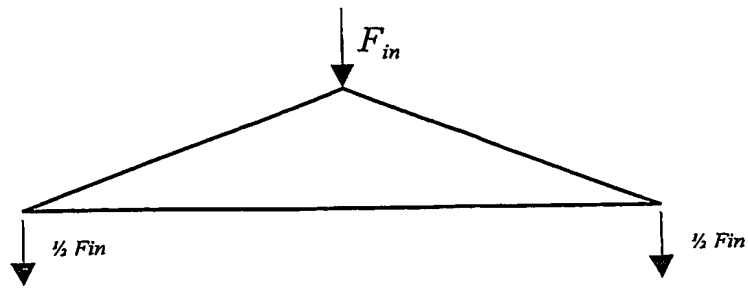


FIG. 2

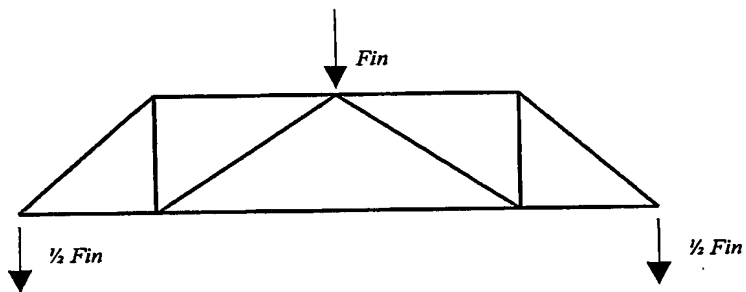
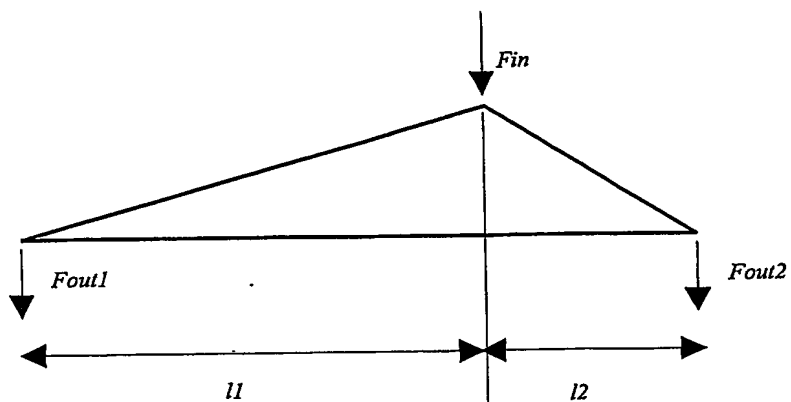


FIG. 3



$$F_{out\ 1} = \frac{l_2}{l_1 + l_2} F_{in}$$

$$F_{out\ 2} = \frac{l_1}{l_1 + l_2} F_{in}$$

FIG. 4

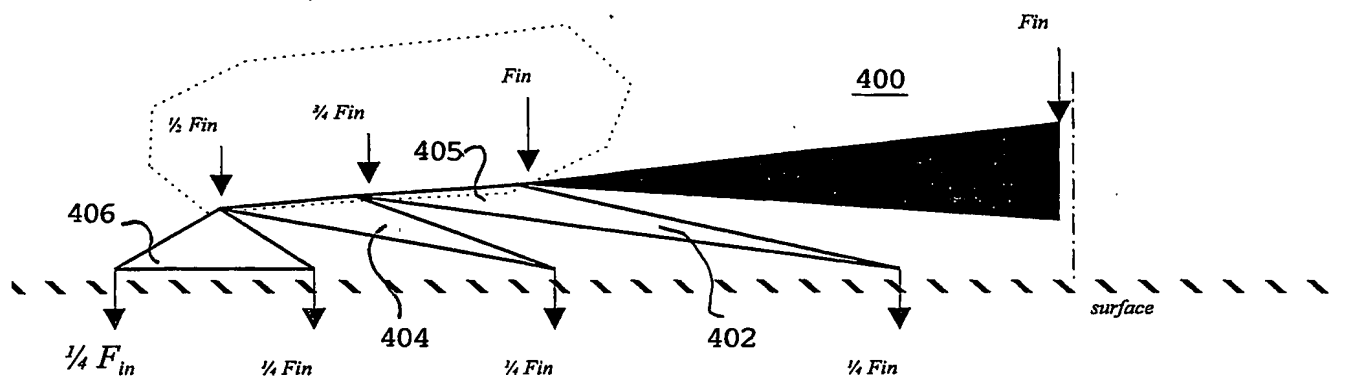


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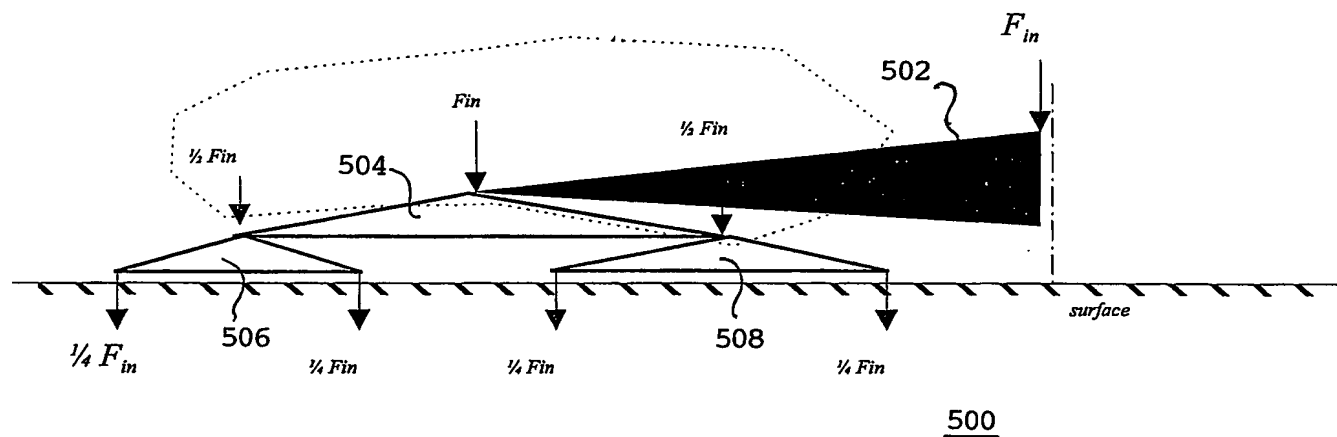
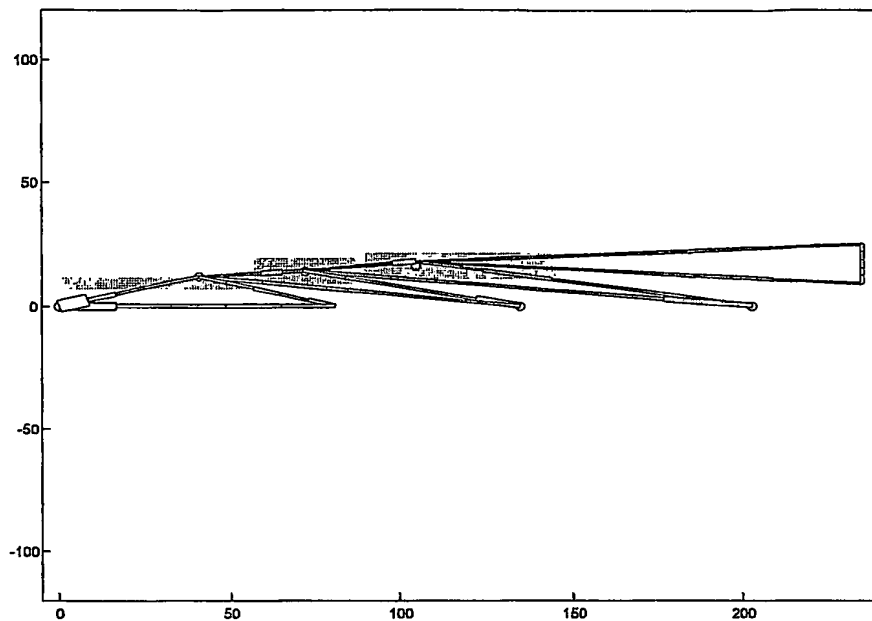


FIG. 6

Optimized wiper design
(Equality of output forces were optimized over a range of surface curvatures)

FIG. 7

Deformed Geometry for Wiper Design
(Curved Boundary Condition)

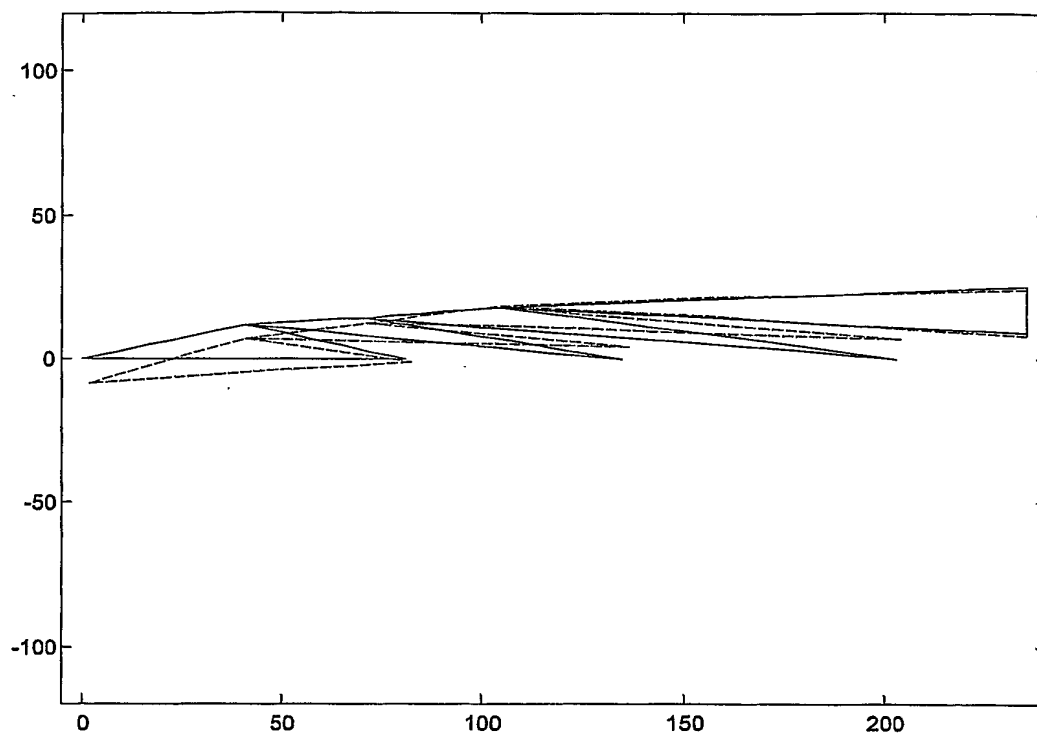
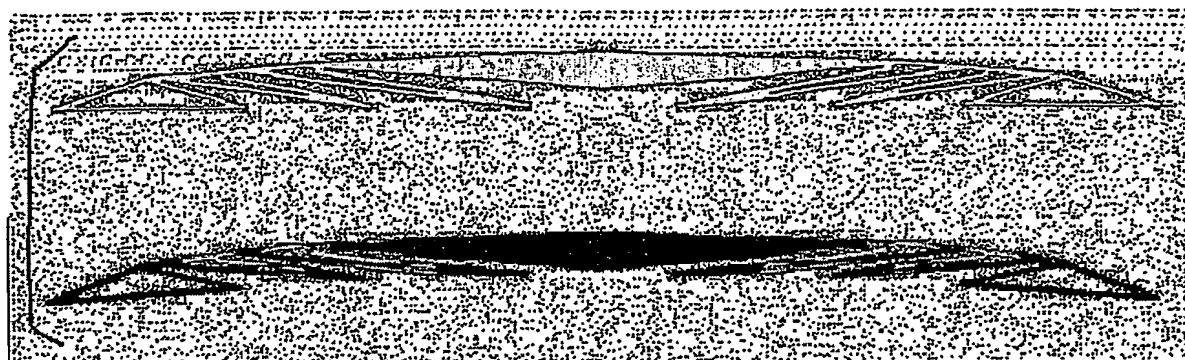


FIG. 8

Nonlinear finite element analysis showing the initial shape of the wiper blade (top image). The lower image shows the stress distribution in the wiper as it conforms to a curved boundary (windshield). Near equal force distribution is obtained for flat to highly curved boundaries.